


FROM OUR HISTORY:

Charlotte Gipson saw this page at the scholarship awards meeting and was excited to spot her daughter, Priscilla Smith, a WCCP 1979 scholarship recipient. She asked her daughter to write something up—an update about herself.

Wednesday, May 23, 1979

Princeton Packet



Scholarships awarded

The Women's College Club of Princeton, at their annual meeting on May 21 announced the awarding of college scholarships to 11 girls from the four secondary schools of Princeton. Pictured above, from left to right, standing: Cheryl Toto, Hun School, going to Amherst; Jane Sferra, PHS, going to Monmouth; Cynthia Lucullo, PHS, going to Glassboro; Meriam Rubin, PHS, going to Brown; Priscilla Smith, PHS, going to Howard. Seated: Laura Farina, Princeton Day School, going to Georgetown; Cornelia Reeder, PHS, going to Ohio Wesleyan; Theresa McKee, Stuart, going to Ursinas; Gina Caruso, PHS, going to Bard; Katya Alarcon, PHS, going to Rutgers. Absent from picture, Ruth Coomber, Hun School, going to Cornell. Meriam Rubins was awarded the Founders' Award, Laura Farina the Memorial Award and Ruth Coomber the Anniversary Award. The others received the 1979 Annual Award.

Town To Girls, May 23, 1979

Clubs and Organizations

The Women's College Club has announced the awarding of college scholarships to 11 girls from the four secondary schools in Princeton.

They are, from Princeton High School, Cynthia Lucullo, who will attend Glassboro State College; Meriam Rubin, Brown University; Priscilla Smith, Howard University; Cornelia Reeder, Ohio Wesleyan; Gina Caruso, Bard College; Katya Alarcon, Rutgers; and Jane Sferra, Monmouth College.

Also, from the Hun School, Cheryl Toto, Amherst; and Ruth Coomber, Cornell; from Princeton Day School, Laura Farina, Georgetown University; and from Stuart School, Theresa McKee, Ursinus College.

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From: Priscilla Wainwright (Priscilla Smith in the 1979 newsclip, standing on the right, from PHS going to Howard)

Sent: Thursday, May 30, 2024 8:48 AM

To: doris ju

Subject: RE: A Page from a WCCP Scrapbook

Mom was thrilled to see the scrapbook page. She called me right away!

I loved **every minute** of my Howard experience. I met people from a variety of nations and countries, made lifelong friends, learned the skills to start a career in journalism and cemented a commitment to lifelong learning. After several years, I took a position in public relations at a regional university, Middle Tennessee State University. While at MTSU, I pursued a master's degree in business administration with an emphasis in marketing. An ordained minister, avid reader, proud mother of two grown sons and member of an organization of women executives in Corrections, I now serve as Director of Contracts Administration for the Tennessee Department of Correction, overseeing procurements for services such as medical and behavioral health services for incarcerated offenders. Last year I was honored for 30 years of service in Tennessee State government.

Mom always lets me know when she has been to one of the WCCP luncheons and enjoys talking to the scholarship recipients about their plans and aspirations. I am so grateful for the investment WCCP made in my education and my future and continues to make in the lives of young women.

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